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Fiscal Note

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Prime Sponsors:	Rep. Young; Pelton Sen. Winter; Rankin	Bill Status:	House HHS
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Bill Topic:	LONG-TERM SERVICES & SUPPORT CASE MANAGEMENT REDESIGN
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Summary of Fiscal Impact:	<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Government
	<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill establishes a statewide case management system for long-term services and support. The bill will increase state and local workload on an ongoing basis.

Appropriation Summary:	No appropriation is required.
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Fiscal Note Status:	This fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.
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Summary of Legislation

The bill requires the Medical Services Board in the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF) to adopt rules providing for the establishment of a redesigned case management system. The new system must consist of agencies that provide case management services on a fee-for-service basis or through Colorado's Medicaid program. In developing the system, the bill sets the following deadlines for HCPF to:

- develop a timeline for implementation by December 31, 2021;
- issue competitive solicitations to select case management agencies by December 31, 2022;
- adopt rules by July 1, 2024; and
- develop a process to designate local or regional organizations as Community Centered Boards by July 1, 2024.

Contracts with community centered boards are exempt from the Colorado Procurement Code. More information on the case management system can be found below.

Background

Currently, there are 49 case management agencies throughout the state. These include 24 single entry points, 20 community centered boards, and 5 private agencies. Single entry points provide services to the majority of eligible Medicaid members needing long-term support; community centered boards provide services for members who have intellectual and developmental disabilities, and private agencies only provide services for the Children’s home and community based service waiver.

State Expenditures

Starting in FY 2021-22, the bill will increase workload in HCPF to adopt rules; solicit case management agencies; and conduct stakeholder outreach. This workload can be accomplished within existing resources. In addition, to the extent the Office of the State Auditor chooses to audit case management agencies, workload will increase. Over the long term, if costs for the redesigned system differ from the current system, any change in appropriations will be addressed through the annual budget process.

Local Government

The fiscal note assumes that counties that currently serve as single entry points will qualify to be a case management agency and will continue to provide services to eligible populations. The bill will increase workload to those counties to apply to be a case management agency and to align practices with any additional rules establishes by HCPF and the bill.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed, except that sections 2 through 69 take effect on July 1, 2024.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties	Health Care Policy and Financing
Human Services	Information Technology
Judicial	Public Health and Environment
State Auditor	